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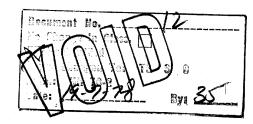
- A naval amminition (epot called Tukhla Kula, exists in the Zvezditsa quarter of Varna, about or and one half kilometers south of the Chayka Air Base. This depot consist of about eight low buildings situated on the northwest slope of a hill in this quarter. The buildings are about four meters apart and are surround, by barbed-wire entanglements; the depot is guarded by two plateons of rayy men from the main navy garrison in Varna.
- 2. Sea m'nes, dept' charges, and torpedoes are stored at this depot. This depot was riginally cuilt and used by the Germans during the last war for storage of submarine ranes, torpedoes, and depth charges.
- 25X1C 3 what type of mine is stored at the depot, but he describes th torpedoes as Russian-made. He states that the first shipments of these toricdoes came from Russia in October and November 1947, and that shipments c'ill continue. When the initial deliveries of the torpadoes were made, only three torpedo boats were in commission. They were old German LURSEN type boats. All torpedoes were about three neters long and approximately sixty cent meters in diameter. They are air-driven and have twin counter-rotating foreus on separate shafts. These torpedoes have a maximum range of 15 kilometers and a speed of 10 knots.

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- this depot many times within fifty meters of the buildings and to no time has he seen any type of gun emplacement or enti-eircraft guns for the defense of this area.
- 5. He has ever seen magnetic or sound-seeking mines at this depot, but has heard from friends that mines of this type are in use by the Bulgarians, but in civer waters.

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